PROJECT TITLE : Tobacco Analysis

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Tobacco Lot Analyses

1. Special trials

Pakistani tobaccos (1)

The results of tobacco analyses of the 33 samples were sent to Mr. C. Jeanneret (2).

Denitrated LTR (3)

Three samples were received:

- of lot 7198 as a reference of non-denitrated LTR
- of lot 7195, from the trial with denitrated Burley stems
- of lot 7202, from the trial with denitrated Burley stems and potassium add-back.

Analyses are under way.

Basic blend ATO (4)

Three boxes of the basic blend ATO were sent to FTR from Richmond in order to carry out the sieving tests. Analyses are under way.

Maryland tobacco samples (storage influence) (5)

We have received 40 samples.

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Competitor brands

We have made TLA on 3 competitor brands:

- Blend Ultra Mild : Sweden
- Camel Mild : Germany, Switzerland and Franc
- Peter Stuyvesant Extra Mild: Switzerland and France

From these TLA results it was very clear that all cigarettes were made with different blends. The Peter Stuyvesant cigarettes are similar, but the Camel cigarettes differ between themselves.

The analyses of the Select family are under way (Select, Select No. 2, Select Extra Légère).

2. Routine tobacco lot analyses

Introduction of inputs on EDP

Twenty five lots were introduced in the analytical data list.

Lots under evaluation

Twenty eight lots.

Lots available, but not yet analysed

Thirty nine lots.

Assistance to other projects

Project Nino

Two samples of Nino strips were received.

- One of washed strips
- The other of unwashed strips as a reference.

Analyses are under way.

Project Spotless (6)

The analyses of the 7 untreated samples are available.

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Project RCB

Three special samples have been received:

- One containing 5% of washed stems from process Nino plus the corresponding amount of denitrated extract, but without Ninomass (Lot 0116).
- A corresponding sample including Ninomass.
- A sample with normal RCB feedstock but with 20% less additives.

Analyses are under way.

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References:

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4) Letter from Mr. I.S. Ruziak to Mr. M. Hansen, dated March 10, 1980.
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6) Spotless monthly report, January 1980.

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